

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of Transportation, after receiving testimony from Mary E. Peters, Secretary of Transportation.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 372, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to provide the resources to protect public transportation from terrorism.

BUDGET: FISCAL YEAR 2008

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's budget and revenue proposals for fiscal year 2008, after receiving testimony from Henry M. Paulson, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the present and future of public safety communications, focusing on a need for broadband technology for America's fire and emergency services, after receiving testimony from Charles L. Werner, Charlottesville Fire Department, Fairfax, Virginia, on behalf of International Association of Fire Chiefs; Harlin R. McEwen, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of Major Cities Chiefs Association, National Sheriffs' Association, and Major County Sheriffs' Association; Morgan O'Brien, Cyren Call Communications, McLean, Virginia; Steve Largent, CTIA—The Wireless Association, Washington, D.C.; David Billstrom, National Interop, Inc., Seattle, Washington; and Matthew J. Desch, Iridium Satellite LLC, Bethesda, Maryland.

OIL AND GAS ROYALTY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues relating to labor, immigration, law enforcement, and economic conditions in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, after receiving testimony from David B. Cohen, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs, and James Benedetto, Labor Ombudsman, both of the Department of the Interior; Jeannette Franzel, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office; Lieutenant Government Timothy P. Villagomez, Lauri Bennett Ogumoro, Karidat, and Juan T. Guerrero, Saipan Chamber of Commerce, Mary Stella Mangona, Sisters of the Good Shepherd, and Kayleen Entena, all of Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; Pedro A. Tenorio, Resident Representative to the United States, Washington, D.C.; and F. Haydn Williams, San Francisco, California.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS BUDGET

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2008 for foreign affairs, including the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), after receiving testimony from Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the No Child Left Behind Act reauthorization, focusing on strategies that promote school improvement, after receiving testimony from Michael P. Flanagan, Michigan Superintendent of Public Instruction, Lansing; Alana Dale Turner, Easton High School, Easton, Maryland; Richard Coleman, Sr., An Achievable Dream Academy, Newport News, Virginia; Kimberly Johnson, Briggs Chaney Middle School, Silver Spring, Maryland; Yvonne W. Brandon, Richmond Public Schools, Richmond, Virginia; Martha S. Barber, Alabama Reading Initiative Regional Principal Coach, Birmingham, Alabama; Hosanna Mahaley-Johnson, Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, Illinois; and Paul Reville, Rennie Center for Education Research and Policy, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAM

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing on diabetes in Indian Country, focusing on the Special Diabetes Program for Indians, after receiving testimony from Charles W. Grim, Director, and Kelly Moore, Clinical Specialty Consultant, Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention, both of the Indian Health Service, William C. Knowler, Chief, Diabetes Epidemiology and Clinical Research Section, Division of Intramural Research, and Judith Fradkin, Director, Division of Diabetes, Endocrinology, and Metabolic Diseases, both of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; Buford Rolin, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee, and the National Indian Health Board; James D. Brosseau, Altru Health System, Grand Forks, North Dakota; Biron Baker, Medcenter One, Bismarck, North Dakota; Sam McCracken, Nike, Beaverton, Oregon; and Donna Vandall, Winnebago Tribal Whirling Thunder Wellness Programs, Winnebago, Nebraska.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 322, to establish an Indian youth telemental health demonstration project;

S. 375, to waive application of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to a specific parcel of real property transferred by the United States to 2 Indian tribes in the State of Oregon;

S. 398, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act to identify and remove barriers to reducing child abuse, to provide for examinations of certain children; and

S. 481, to recruit and retain more qualified individuals to teach in Tribal Colleges or Universities.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 188, to revise the short title of the Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006, with amendments;

S. 214, to amend chapter 35 of title 28, United States Code, to preserve the independence of United States attorneys, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 36, honoring women's health advocate Cynthia Boles Dailard;

S. Res. 37, designating March 26, 2007 as "National Support the Troops Day" and encouraging the people of the United States to participate in a moment of silence to reflect upon the service and sacrifice of members of the Armed Forces both at home and abroad; and

The nominations of Marcia Morales Howard, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, Nora Barry Fischer, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Norman Randy Smith, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, John Alfred Jarvey, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa, and Sara Elizabeth Lioi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 65 public bills, H.R. 909–973; 2 private bills, H.R. 974–975; and 16 resolutions, H.J. Res. 24; H. Con. Res. 61–62; and H. Res. 139–151 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Capuano to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 139, electing the following Members to serve on certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: Committee on House Administration: Representatives Brady (PA), Zoe Lofgren (CA), Capuano, Gonzalez, and Davis (CA). Committee on Standards